Sl.No.	*Name of Distt.*	*Villageselectrified as on 31.10.91*	*Nos. of Unelectrified Villages*
38.	Shahdol	1625	343
39.	Raipur	3293	560
40.	Durga	1634	198
41.	Rajasthan	1962	324
42.	Bastar	2417	1069
43.	Bilaspur	3032	496
44.	Sarguja	1992	422
45.	Raigarh	1837	358
	Total	63433	8031

Note::- The difference in the total district-wise unelectrified villages (8031) and the unelectrified villages for the state as whole (71,352-63,433) 7019 (difference is 112) is due to the fact that some of the 1971 Census villages which were electrified earlier, got split into additional (electrified) villages and some of them were uninhabited according to 1981 Census.

[*English*]

Committee on Exchange for Postal Department

2780. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an Expert Committee on Excellence for Postal Department was set up , if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the recommendations of the Committee;

(c) whether the Government have accepted its recommendations ; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government thereon to implement those recommendations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHIR P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir. The details are given in the copy of the Government Resolution No. 43-31/87-PE-I dated 8.9.87 (Annex-I).

(b) The Committee has given 125 recommendations covering various aspects such as sound financial management, modern technology, mail management, International mail, appropriate organisational structure, staff relations, etc. The details of the recommendations will be placed on the Table of the House separately.

(c) 51 recommendations have been

accepted in toto or with modification, 36 recommendation are of the nature of general observations on which no action is required. 26 recommendations have not been accepted. Decision on 12 recommendations has been deferred on consideration.

(d) Out of 51 accepted recommendations , actions has been completed on 12 30 recommendations are at various stages of implementation. Action on remaining 9 recommendations has been deferred.

STATEMENT

Resolution

Setting up of an Expert Committee to Recommend Measures to Achieve Excellence in Postal Services.

The Government have been considering the need for improving the performance of the Postal Services for some time, in the contex of increasing demands on the Postal administration since Independence due to all round economic development and increase in population and literacy as also revolutionary changes in communication technology. Recently, the Fourth Central Pay Commission has also recommended the setting up of a Committee in order to review the postal services and personal management so as to achieve postal excellence and give satisfaction to those employed in the vast infrastructure of the Department. This recommendation has been carefully considered and it has been decided to set up an Expert Committee with the following member ship:-

(1)	Sh. S.B. Lal, Retired Secretary (Coordination) Cabinet Secretarial	Chairman
(2)	Dr. P.C. Joshi, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi	Member
(3)	Sh. S. Ramanathan, Director, Indian Institute of Public Administration, New Delhi.	Member
(4)	Sh. R. Kishore, Retired Member, (Personnel), Postal Services Board	Member
(5)	Dr. N. Seshagiri, Additional Secretary Department of Electromics, New Delhi	Member
(6)	Shri K.C. Sharma, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Labour, New Delhi.	Member
(7)	Sh. K. Diesh, Deputy Director General, Postal Services Board, New Delhi	Member Secretary.

2. THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE EXPERT COMMITTEE WILL BE AS UNDER.

(i) To study the functioning of the Postal Serivces in the context of increasing demand from different sectors of society and identify the operational, managerial and technological strengths and weaknesses of the system.

(ii) To recommend short term and long term measures to ensure comprehensive planning and efficient and cost-effective operation of the postal network with suitable technological changes with a view to achieving greater public satisfaction.

(iii) To review the finances of the department and pricing policy of the postal services and make suitable recommendations keeping in view the public

interest and the available resources.

(iv) To review and suggest changes necessary in the personnel policy of the department including policies for recruitment, training, placement, carrer progression and vigilance (excluding those relating to pay, allowances and retirement benefits) for improving employees' satisfaction and productivity and changing over to more effective and business like work culture.

(v) To review the Organisational Structure, including the headquarters set-up of the Department as also the relationship with other Government Departments and organisation and make suitable recommendations keeping in view the need for public accountability and efficiency of administration.

3. The Expert Committee will submit its report as early as possible but not later than 30th September 1988.

Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub-Plan Areas

2781. SHRI SUBASH CHANDRA NAYAK: SHRI ANADI CHARAN DAS:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken up a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the eatablishement of Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub-Plan areas; and

(b) if so, the funds released for the purpose and achievements made so far and the places so far identified for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During the year 1990-91, an amount of Rs. 2.00 crores was released as Central Share to the States of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka, Kerala, Orissa, Sikkim, Tamil Naidu, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh for establishment of Ashram Schools in Tribal sub-plan areas under the Centrally sponsored Scheme. Statement showing State-wise details indicating the amount released for construction of Ashram Schools in each State is enclosed. During the current financial year 1991-92 an amount of Rs. 68.38 lakhs has so far been released to the States of Kerala, Orissa and Tirpura.

[*Translation*]

Infiltration by Militants in J&K

2782. PROF. PREM DHUMAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of cases of infiltration by militants in Jammu and Kashmir from across the borders detected by the Government during 1990-91 and 1991-92 till 30.9.1991;

(b) the total number of infiltrators killed by security forces and police in encounters while entering into Indian terrotory;

(c) the number of infiltrators arrested; and

(d) whether some vital information has been collected from the arrested militants regarding militants' training camps?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (d). According to the information furnished by the State Government, 420 militants/subversives were killed on border during 1990 and 227 were killed in 1991 (Up to 30th September,91).